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4. (U) AN AVAL SPOKESMAN HAS RESPONDED TO THE CRITICISM OF ITS LEADER BY CLAIMING THAT THE LF UNDER-TOOK THE BOMBARDMENT OF WEST BEIRUT ON JUNE 11 AT ISRAELI REQUEST. THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE LF HAVE WARNED THE LEBANESE SHIA COMMUNITY TO CHOOSE A NEW LEADER (REFTEL PARA. 4) WHILE AT THE SAME TIME THE ISRAELIS ARE CONCENTRATING THEIR ENMITY ON THE AMAL AND BASSI. THE SPOKESMAN IMPLIED THAT IT WAS NO COINCIDENCE

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"THAT ISRAEL HAS OBSTRUCTED THE ACCESS OF TECHNICIANS TO THE JERAM ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT WHILE ON JUNE 11 SHELLS FELL AROUND MUNICIPAL WATER STORAGE FACILITIES FOR WEST BEIRUT LOCATED IN BURJ ABI MAYDAR AND TALLAT AL-KHAYAT. BOTH ACTIONS WERE INTENDED TO DISCREDIT BAP: AS MINISTER OF HYDROELECTRIC RESOURCES, THE GOVERNMENT CHARGED.

5. (C) COMMENT: AS FAR-FETCHED AS THE CHARGE OF
ISRAELI ENSLAVEMENT OF THE JUNE 11 SHELLING MAY SEEM
IT WAS CONSIDERABLE CURRENCY IN WEST BEIRUT. ON
JUNE 13 BARRI RIVAL MUHAMMAD AL-MUHAMMADI ARGUED TO
POLICE THAT THE LF ARE TAKING AN INTRANSIGENT ATTITUDE
ON CONVESSIONS TO MUSLIMS. BECAUSE THEY ARE RECEIVING
ISRAELI SUPPORT. BARTHOLOMEW

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1. (U) ON JUNE 17 BEIRUT PRESS PUBLISHED A FINAL ACCOUNTING OF THE CASUALTIES FOLLOING THE FIGHTING AND SHELLING OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS IN BEIRUT ACCORDING TO "INDEPENDENT L'ORIENT LE JOUR". TOTAL OF 90 PERSONS DIED AND 277 WERE WOUNDED ON MONDAY, OF THESE CASUALTIES 77 OF THE DEATHS AND 254 OF THE INJURED WERE IN EAST BEIRUT. THIRTEEN DIED AND 77 WERE WOUNDED IN WEST BEIRUT. 40 DEATHS OF THOSE WHO DIED AND 40 OF THOSE WHO WERE WOUNDED WERE NOT CIVILIANS. ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF THE LF REPORTED TWO DEATHS AND 10 WOUNDED ON THE DAY, WHILE THE DISSIDENT LF SIXTH BRIGADE SUFFERED 3 DEATHS AND 15 WOUNDED WHEN ITS BARRACKS IN WEST BEIRUT WERE HIT BY SHELL-FIRE. TWO MEMBERS OF THE ISF DIED AND 23 WERE WOUNDED. INCIDENT: THE FOLLOWING FIGURES MAKE CLEAR THE MAJORITY OF CASUALTIES OCCURRED IN WEST BEIRUT (X).

2. 15/04/81 ALL SOURCES FROM WHOM WE HAVE HEARD (LEBANESE FORCES (LF), AMAL AND AMEL) AGREE THAT THE PSD LARGELY STAYED ON THE SIDE LINES. IN THE MAIN, THE SPLITTING OF CIVILIAN AREAS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN DONE BY AMAL AND THE LEBANESE FORCES (LF). BECAUSE AMAL MAINTAIN THAT THEY EXERCISED GREAT FORCE - ENJOYING HOURS OF THE FINAL FORCE TO RESPOND AFTER ENDURING HOURS OF THE OTHER SIDE. IT IS NOT CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT AMAL ALONE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SPLITTING THE CHRISTIAN AREAS. DIRECTOR OF LF INTELLIGENCE SAYS TOLD USMC CHIEF THAT ON THE

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